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WAS IT DOROTHY?

"Ten's be a fool!" said Borothy Martin "And is he really so superstitions about breaking the psomise that that unreason able viruge of a wife exacted from him?' "Unquestionably he is," said Frank

Worrall. "I suppose he actually believes that my Aunt Hephsibah would haunt him if he married again without her express permission. For a man of ordinary different shades of green that grow up-intelligence. Uncle Buttonball is super on the Emerald late are among them.

"How?" queried Dorothy.
"Ob, be sees winding sheets in the oanfle, believes there will be a death in the family if a dog chances to howl under the in silks alone, but in the fall wool window, and would sooner out off his right hand than begin having or go on a mrnpy of a Friday!"
"Ftunk!" hesitatingly began Derothy

"What sort of a woman was your Aum I phalbah? You know I never saw her she died before I came to Hopton to live." "A little, fat woman, with spectacles and a brown foretop, who always wors brown gingham and talked through not nose. I forgot, though—she had a mon strosity of a cap, with a frill two inches wide all ground it and a colossal tow of snuff colored ribben perched on the very top-a guy of a cap, only fit for a scare

"Not at all like Paulina Pepper," said Dorothy. "And Paulina really likes Mt Buttonball, and she needs a home, por thing! Not to speak of Mr. Buttenball evident admiration for Paulins. It would certainly be a match, if"-

"If it wasn't for the departed saint : annff colored ribbons," said Frank, wian irreverent tmitation of his Uncle Bur tonball's peculiar Intenation when speak ing of his departed wife. "Poor Paulina!" said Derethy.

"And poor Uncle Buttonball!" echoe Frank Worrall. "Upon the whole, darling it looks like a hard case."

"Past 11 o'clock," said Uncle Bette ball, looking up at the clock over the of his silver spectacles. "Well, I have an idea it was so late. And snowing blowing like all poscessed, and the v howling down the chimney fit to see man's teeth on edge Just such a night : poor liephallsch died four veurs eno med ces me," with a slight, coid sldver d. w. his apinal column, "if It ain't the Butice Note abor-too identical anniversary the sad event Poor Bephry!" folding ! bands and looking thoughtfully into the dre. "I hoje she's happy to the o'le world. She never took much comiters ! this, what with flies and dust and poc kitchen belo. And then Mr. Buttonball fell into a doz

or a reverie-he never could be quita cotain which-from which he was arouse by the old kitchen clock striking 12 "Midnight! It ain't possible!" crie. Mr. Buttonball, chilly, necomfortable and superstitious "And the fire constant I guess I'll rake it up and got

But as he rose with a sort of rhoumatic stiffness from his chair the door lendins from the buttery creaked slightly, a slow heavy footstep sounded on the floor, and looking around with startled and dilater eyes, Mr. Buttonball beheld—the departer Hephstbah.

"Benedict!" spoke out the quavering and masal voice. "Benedict! Benedict! (It was always so, Uncle Buttonball r stories, the summons was distinctly enuidated three times.)

"W.w.well, my dear," stuttered M.
w. wall, holding tightly to the arms eth should chatter him let." nolomnile stture "You want to marry again! "N not if you object to it, my dear. faltered the snaking widower. 'I-1-

Peace! Disturb not the voices of higher sphere, ' 'No, my dear, I won't," said the su'

missive husband "Peace, T say?" (Hephsibah's old waof putting him down, without a loopho. for argument),"and listen: You are at solved from your promise to contract a second marriage. You are a free again. My eyes are opened now to many things. and among them the folly of my carthly jealousies. Go, marry whom you will, and my blessing rest upon your bride. Tiword is spoken, the oracle is closed.'

Slowly the brown glaghamed form re reated backward, with gleaning aprita eles and uplifted finger, through the but tery door, into the back kitchen, with Uncle Buttonball sat staring and trans fixed with an agony of superstitions terror

' He has really asked you to marry him Paulina?

Yes, really," said Paulina Pepper, her blooming face all smiles and dimples 'And I'm so glad! Beentien-there can't be any harm in owning it now, Enrothy dear-I did like him ever so much!"

"He's a very nice old man-1 mean middle aged gentleman," said Double Martin demurely: "But I thought he had determined never to marry sgain."
"Oh, that's all settled," cried Pauline. looking complecently down at the red shine of her paraetengagement ring. "He thinks he has had a vision—that his departed wife appeared to him and released him from his yows."

"Dear me!" said Dorothy. "How very been asleep and dreaming, though-don't you thick so?"

"Undorbtedly," said Dorothy "For-what are you laughing at, dear?"

Paulina Pepper broke off to say. "Nothing, nothing. Only it seems ac ridiculous that in this age of the world people can believe in ghosts!" cried Doro thy, giving way to a hearty peal of laugh burried out of the room. Frank Worlab followed her, "Dorothy," said he. "It was you!"

"What do you mean?" 'The ghost.'

"Prove it, if you can!" cried Doroths mucily. And that was all she would are admit. -- Exchange

Brose of Dictampus A hedge of a herbaceous perennial species are adapted to such use. A one and grow with vigor in heat and the costume. drought. Probably one of the best for this purpose, says a contributor to Gardening, is the European gas plant, Dictamnos albus, and its variety rabra. Its synonym is D. fraxinella, and it bears the common names of gas plant, burning bush and dittany. It is an old inhabitant of the garden, having

been known since 1598. Under good cultivation it grows about two feet high, blooming in early June in long terminal racemes, white or a deep pink according to variety.

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BRIGHT COLORS.

Fashion Decrees Same Startling Mffects For the Sear Future.

Special Correspondence.] NEW YORK, June 11 .- Coming events cast their shadows before, the poet told us, and just now the new color cards are out, and they are brilliant enough to cast shadows. The yellows are as bright as sunshine, and all the Pinks and reds, purples and all the possible shades of brown reaching from brown to fairly lemon are shown pot



THE NEW SLEEVE. goods. Tans, klinki, mode and a dozen other shades all have semething to recall the sunshine yellow of this season. Brown with yellow stripes and crossbars makes as rich and handsome a plaid as ever was seen. Some are in immense figures, and others are scarcely more than shepherd's checks, but all have a pleasing softness and richness that no other color could give. Gray in all the shades possible to imagine is among them, but the silver and pearl shades are the most liked, and they make the most delicate of dresses for nice occasions. But grays are so difficult to keep from soil that if one wants a dress for service it is better to choose some other color or a

least a dark shade. For summer use the cashmeres and the veilings and those soft light stuffs without a name, but which are between veiling and wool muslin, make the daintiest of gowns. Flounces made of these stuffs when cut on the blas are new and pretty. But no one need have flounces, as there are so many different things to choose from that one is embarrassed to make a choice. But nembered, in all well authenticated ghost for young persons the plain skirt with perhaps a few rows of very narrow ribbon around the bottom just above the hem is the best plan. Older ones can have some arrangement of lace applique la set figures or in lines or indeed in anyway that suits the ideas

of the owner of the gown. For summer wraps there are some stylish ones of lace over silk, the cape portion being of silk and covered with lace, and this often picked out with some fine let bending and the neck finished with a ruff of French lace and with loops and bows of some kind of black ribbon. Moire shows best, but grosgrains are good and so are the eatin facoul volvots

Some short capes are more for the sake of having something over the shoulders than for any protection they might give the wearer, but they are pretty. Brocade and satin are used for some and cloth in the light and fashlonable shades. These are simply trimmed with rows of stitching or straps stitched down like the long and elegant coats for swell driving and the visiting where one wishes to strike envy into the heart of a rival. Pearl buttons are set on some of these small capes, and often the strap trimming is done in cloth of two or three shades darker than the cape. This is very effective when the shades are chosen with judg-

The khaki suits grow in popular favor daily, and nearly every kind of goods intended for early fall have at least three shades of that color. It is reproduced in everything, even velvet and all kinds of silks as well as the wools. Cheviot and broadcloth are probably the handsomest, as not all wenyes look as well in the same color. Cashmere and camel's hair are extremely elegant in this. Pastel tints "Of course the dear fellow must have will scarcely outlive the summer, as all the next season's celors are so decided that before the real opening of the autumn many favored persons will be decked out in the new stuff.

The new plan of sleeves is an innovation indeed, for they will be in more or less pronounced bell shape and have real or simulated undersleeves. In a ter, as she caught up her embroidery and letter from the most prominent fur dealer in this city I was told that the sleeves to the fur coats would be bell shape. In one bradsome afternoon dress of black lace over silk the sleeves have first a puff reaching to the forearm, then a band, then another puff and tuen a neep open rume. A tailor suit bas sleeves cut bell shape. with deep cuffs, and below that lace undersleeves falting over the hands. a a rather rare occurrence, as but few Many other dresses and jackets show the same idea. In the Illustration may showy spectacle is required when in be seen sleeves in the new style, as flower and a pleasing appearance of they are cut off at the elbow and below folinge the balance of the season. The there is a full sleeve with a deep cuff plants must stand up against winds and of heavy lace such as is used to trim OLIVE HARPER.

Propagating Tea Roses.

The usual way of propagating tea toses is by means of cuttings of firm or nearly mature wood, and they are rooted under glass, with a bottom heat of 65 or 70 degrees. From January to March is the usual time of propagating. One bud cuttings are commonly selected, most of the foliage being trimmed Many of the florists select their cuttings from flowering shoots, thinklog that this will produce more freely blooming plants than "blind" wood. The cuttings are rooted in clean sand

When Elizabeth Wes Ill.

A obysician, like a soldier, must ve spond to the call of duty without always waiting to discover the why and wherefore. A doctor, who is evidently the soul of devotion to his profession. was recently put to the test and mach to his subsequent irritation was not found wanting. It befell in this wise,

according to the doctor's report: One day inst week I was just sitting down to dinner when I received a call from a little 5-year-old girl whose father lives in the adjoining block. She was out of breath, but she managed to gasp out for me to come up to the house right away.

Thinking it must be something serious that should cause the little girl to be sent for me, I seized my medicine case and hurried off.

"Who is sick?" I asked, picking her up in my arms and carrying her so that I might get along faster. "Elizabeth," she answered.

"Is she very sick?" I asked. "I think it is typhoid fever," she re

This gave me a scare and quickened my steps. We were not long in arriving at the house, and I was surprised that no one met us. "This way?" cried the little girl, seiz-

ing my hand. Allowing myself to be led along, I soon found myself in a bedroom by the side of a doll's cradle, in which reposed a doll with a red rag tied round its throat.

I was dazed for a moment and came to only when I heard the little girl in per's Bazar.

quiring anxiously if I thought Eliza-

beth was going to die. I nesured her that she wasn't and all that she needed was a spanking. I meant the little girl, not Elizabeth. But from what I beard as I came away I am afraid that my advice was not understood and that Elizabeth got the spanking. -Philadelphia Times.

Can't Stoop to 15.

"It's a singular thing, but the commission of crime seems confined to certain kinds of people," said Bluff, putting on an air of wisdom.

"Yes," rejoined Miggs. "That's well known. It's confined to criminals, of course." "Certain persons are almost sure

to become criminals," continued Bluff, ignoring the interruption, "while others are never, or very rarely, found in prison."

"Because they are too lucky,"

murmured Miggs. "It may seem strange, but fat men seldom commit crime. This is

the assertion of criminologists." "It doesn't seem strange at all to me," remarked the irrepressible Miggs. "Everybody knows that it is difficult for fat men to stoop to any thing low."-Pearson's Weekly.

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